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House Bill 1285

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

## AN ACT

- 1 To amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia
- 2 Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to wildlife, so as to change certain
- 3 provisions relating to the unlawful enticement of game; to provide legislative findings and
- 4 declarations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 The General Assembly finds and declares that this Act is enacted pursuant to Article III,
- 8 Section VI, Paragraph II(a)(1) of the Constitution.

9 SECTION 2.

- 10 Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- relating to general provisions relative to wildlife, is amended by striking subsection (a) of
- 12 Code Section 27-3-9, relating to the unlawful enticement of game, and inserting in lieu there
- thereof the following:

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- 14 "(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, expose, deposit, distribute, or scatter any
- 15 corn, wheat, or other grains, salts, apples, or other feeds or bait so as to constitute a lure or
- attraction or enticement for any game bird or game animal on or over any area where
- hunters are or will be hunting; provided, however, that is:
- (1) The prohibition of this subsection shall not apply and it shall be lawful to hunt deer
- within the vicinity of such feeds if the hunter is at least 200 yards away from and not
- within sight of the feed or bait in those counties for which a deer season is established
- 21 <u>north of those counties specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection; and</u>
- 22 (2) The prohibition of this subsection shall not apply and it shall be lawful to hunt deer
- within any vicinity of such feeds in a feeder for deer on private lands in those counties
- 24 for which a deer season is established south of and including Heard, Troup, Meriwether,

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- 1 Pike, Lamar, Monroe, Jones, Baldwin, Washington, Glascock, Jefferson, and Burke
- 2 counties, provided that any such feeder must be refilled completely with feed not less
- 3 than once every two weeks throughout each calendar year in which such feeder is used."

## 4 SECTION 3.

5 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.